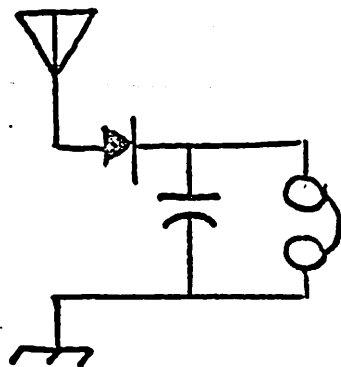


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NEXT MEETING: July 18, 1979. The next meeting will be held at SAMPO's, 185th and Hiway 26. Come early, eat your dinner and be assured of a seat!

PICTURES: Pictures of the Field Day exercise will be available at the meeting for your order. Maria, KA7CHU, has 3 rolls of color prints and will take your orders but you will have to pay at the meeting. The reason is to get a discount under one order. Figure about .25 cents each to be on the safe side and you will be refunded any excess money. We have about 75 pictures. Dave Marlowe has pictures but he will be out of town during the meeting, so I don't know if his will be there at the meeting.

RESIGNATION: I have resigned my position as Editor of the NEWSLETTER as of 18 July, 1979. This is because I have purchased some property in Vernonia and I will have to devote most of my time to this new project. This copy will be my last copy. I submitted my resignation to the officers of the Club, but I don't know if they have found anyone to be the new Editor. Perhaps one of you would like to try their hand? I will be around for awhile to help.

CRITIQUE OF FIELD DAY: By Al Berg, WE7SIC.

Several members have asked for a critique of our field day outing so I will do my best to oblige. To begin with I might express my thanks to the following people: Bob, KB7CC, for the use of his beam which had to be taken down, disassembled, transported and to reverse the procedure on returning home. Also for the use of the generator. To Jim, WA7QBI, for transporting two towers and climbing one of them to install a beam. To Gary, WB7RKW, for the loan of his tower. To George, WB3ELG, for the use of his very fine generator and for the locating and transporting of a beam. To Russ, N7ASB, for the loan of his tower and for his assistance on Friday in putting up dipoles. To John, N7ALM, for his expertise with ropes, pulleys, and tower erecting. To Lowell, W7NDH, for donating six steel fence posts for the tower anchors. They are appreciated and will be used in the future by the Club. To Doug, W7XI, for the use of his call, and his labor on Friday. To Warren Knight, Eldon May, and Lee McQuary for the loan

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Last and far the best, to Maria, KA7CHU, for the good food and to all the ladies who did a very good job taking care of the calories. By having coffee served at the operating stations was a treat in spite of the bugs collecting in our cups. If any contributors were omitted, I apologize. A lot of hustle and bustle were going on and it was hard to keep track of everyone and the various gear.

In regard to the critical comments I have on the overall operation, I should begin with activity, or lack of, prior to the BIG weekend. A lot of time, preparation and special meetings went into our operation and a need of more committee activity was evident in spite of having ample time to co-ordinate functions. I am sure we all realize that committees were set up so that one or two people are not saddled with all of the responsibility. In the future, it may be wise to ask for volunteers for committees so as to obtain people who are interested enough to spend the needed time to do a proper job. This would also insure that those who did volunteer, would be certain of their attending, in full, for the entire weekend.

The second subject to be covered would be in regard to early setup. If no one had been at the site to set up on Friday, we would not have been in the contest at all! Saturday would have been spent on antennas and we would have ended up with no more than a picnic. Field Day is the single biggest Amateur activity of the year. Perhaps I go overboard, BUT, I started thinking about F.D. 1979, the day after F.D. 1978, and was planning last March as to how I could get a day off work! Not everyone can get a day off work but thinking in constructive terms, I would say we need at least, eight hands and all of the antenna equipment FIRST thing Friday morning.

The third area to be covered is actual operation. We are a small club as yet and so my comments are somewhat tempered. We needed more members willing to operate and log and for a more longer period of time. Most assuredly, there were a few operators who would have appreciated an evening break to enjoy the fireside activities. The fault, or cause, is not having an operating schedule. One was not made because regimentation would not have been well received, so hopefully, next year we will have more volunteering.

The last critique is our logging procedures. Logging should have been demonstrated at one of the meetings and "sample" sheets should have been made available so that no one would have any doubt as to what and how to log in a contest. Many of our log sheets had calls and sections with no reports. Some had call and reports but no sections. Most had no operators name, some had no band or mode. What a waste of effort! You will recall that a pair of 7 X 35 binoculars was offered as first prize for the most points and a Pendleton blanket for the second prize. How can you pick a winner with no name on a log sheet? Much of

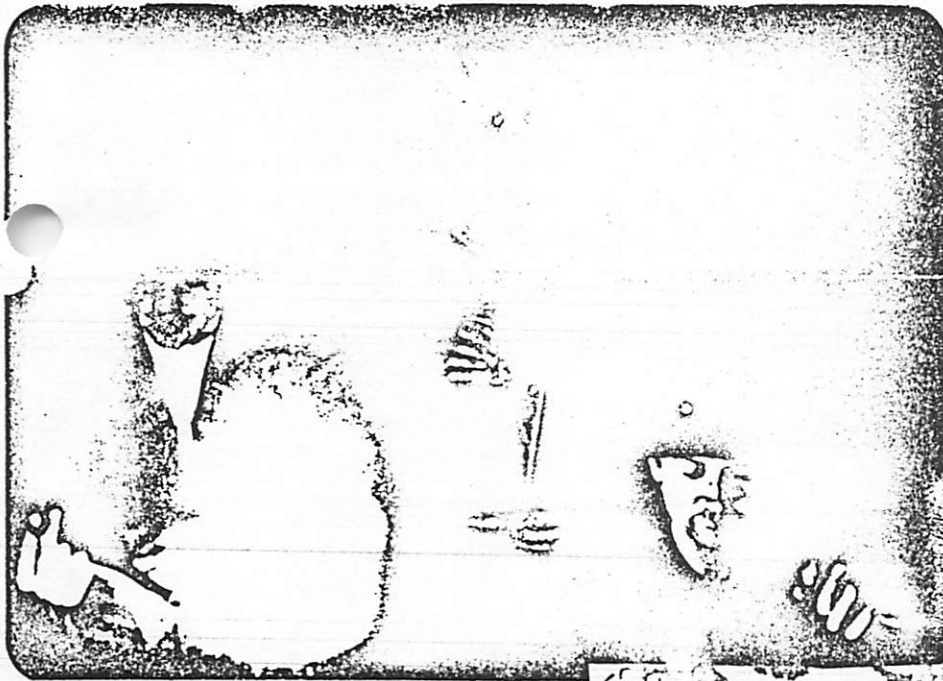
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band, or mode. Suggestions for a more effective 1980 Field Day will be offered a later date, and I am quite sure that we will all have constructive criticism. One idea I might mention is have a 2 meter rig at each table so to have immediate response as to band conditions, etc. Logs will be improved and quite surely our operation will be smoother. Field Day can be both an effective contest as well as being an excellent social function, providing everyone shares the duties. You will note that no comments have been made as to the success of the social side of our weekend. I thought it was 100% perfect! The weather was perfect, the food was outstanding, and the Club comradery was very good. New friendships were made and I think we all benefitted. Once again, hats off to the ladies for a great job. I look forward to Field Day 1980 with great enthusiasm and in the meanwhile, I hope that OTVARC remains a growing club and that we all enjoy every phase of our activities.

Best 73's

Al, WB7SIC



Doug, Tim & Al



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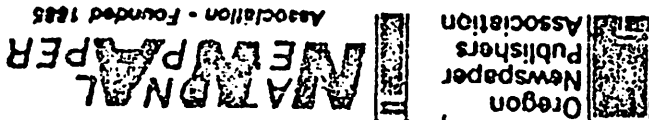
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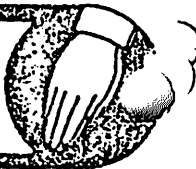
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CHURCH NEWS

Clatskanie Baptist Church
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Earl Johnson, Pastor
728-2304 and 728-2648

Welcome to our summer

Sunday Bible School, 9:45

Worship Service, 11 a.m.

Congregational singing, special music and messages to assist us in worshiping.

Evening service, 7 p.m.

Informal Christian fellowship.

High School Youth Gathering, 8 p.m., Sunday.

Bible Study, Wednesday, 7

g.m., at the church.

You are cordially invited to participate in our church

services and activities.

Clatskanie United

Methodist Church

290 S. Nehalem St.

Rev. Bee Hall - 728-3318

Tuesday to Saturday Rev.

will attend the Oregon-

his Annual Conference of

United Methodist Church.

she will be joined at Willa-

mette University, in Salem,

by Clara Broughter and Ada

Humble, lay members from

the local church.

Sunday, June 24, morning

worship will be held at 10 a.m.

followed by a potluck dinner

The Rev. Wallace C. Bradley,

Mass Sundays at Haikin-

son-Groulx Family Mortuary

at 10:30 a.m. Holy Commu-

ion, first and third Sundays.

Storning Prayer service, sec-

ond and fourth Sundays.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Knappa, Oregon

Rev. Wm. L. Brooks, Pastor

Sunday Church School will

recess for the summer season

with presentation of awards

at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, June 3,

Sundays, 11 a.m., Service of

Divine Worship.

3rd Thursday - 12:30 p.m.

Sr. Citizen's Potluck.

The Rev. Chris Bruland will

be guest speaker at the

Sunday morning worship ser-

vice June 24. He is a former

Pastor of parishes in South

Dakota and Washington, and

has served parishes of both

the American Lutheran Ch-

urch and the Lutheran Ch-

urch in America. He and his

wife have two children, and

they reside in the John Day

area east of Astoria.

Amateur Radio

Field Day Set

For Berg Farm

Oregon Tualatin Valley
Amateur Radio Club will
stage an outing at the Nick
Berg farm in the Birkenfeld
area from 10 a.m. June 23 to 2
p.m. June 24. It was announce-
ed this week.
Purpose of the field day,
sponsored by the American
Radio Relay League for
many years, is to give radio
amateurs practice for opera-
tions under emergency condi-
tions.
The amateur radio service
was begun in the early 1900s
and is dedicated to serving
the public in the event of local
or national emergencies. The
service also conducts public
assistance under non-emer-
gency conditions assisting in
such things as walkathons
and bike races.
Amateurs, either singly or
as a group, compete for the
maximum number of radio
contacts over a period of 24
hours.
Any individuals interested
in observing the operations
are invited to attend the
event. The Berg farm is
located on Rimnaw Road in
the Birkenfeld area and signs
and at the farm to direct
participants and observers to
the location of the event.

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